

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Gerhard Schnabel et al

Application No.: TBA

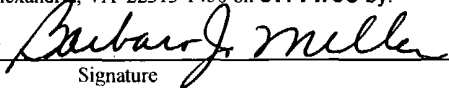
Group Art Unit: N/A

Filed: July 11, 2003

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

For: **SOLID ADJUVANTS**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail, Airbill No. EL 945321968 US in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION; Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on **07/11/03** by:


Signature

Barbara J. Miller
Typed or printed name of person signing Certificate

FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.